

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Ref: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING,**  
**06-Kin-198, PM 9.1/10.26,**  
**RESOLUTION E-05-18**

## **ISSUE:**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Negative Declaration has been completed:

- Route 198 in Kings County – Convert at-grade intersection to partial interchange and upgrade from urban expressway to freeway in Lemoore.

This project is not fully funded. The project is programmed in the 2004 State Transportation Improvement Program for \$1,781,000 in Regional Improvement Program funds for project development and right-of-way support. Total estimated project cost is \$21,000,000. The project is proposed for construction in Fiscal Year 2007-08.

A copy of the Negative Declaration has been provided to California Transportation Commission (Commission) staff. The Department of Transportation (Department) has approved the project for construction. This approval and the filing of the Notice of Determination with the Office of Planning and Research will satisfy the environmental requirements for this stage of the project planning process.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department recommends that the Commission, as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-05-18.

Attachments

## **CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

### **Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding**

**06-Kin-198, PM 9.1/10.26**

**Resolution E-05-18**

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
  - Route 198 in Kings County – Convert at-grade intersection to partial interchange and upgrade from urban expressway to freeway in Lemoore.
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Negative Declaration; and
- 1.4 **WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

